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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA ROANOKE DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Case No. 7:08-cr-00003-1

v.

MEMORANDUM OPINION

JUNMALL J. BOYD, Petitioner.

By:

Hon. Michael F. Urbanski

United States District Judge

Junmall J. Boyd, a federal inmate proceeding <u>pro se</u>, filed a letter (Dkt. No. 60) that the court construes as a motion to vacate, set aside or correct sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 because Petitioner challenges the legality of his sentence imposed under the Armed Career Criminal Act in light of <u>Johnson v. United States</u>, ____ U.S. ____, 135 S. Ct. 2551 (2015). Court records indicate that the court already dismissed (Dkt. No. 59) a prior § 2255 motion (Dkt. No. 47). Thus, the construed § 2255 motion is a second or subsequent motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255(h). Cf. United States v. Hairston, 754 F.3d 258, 262 (4th Cir. 2014).

The court may consider a second or successive § 2255 motion only upon specific certification from the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit that a claim in the motion meets certain criteria. See 28 U.S.C. § 2255(h). As Petitioner has not submitted any evidence of having obtained certification from the Court of Appeals to file a second or successive § 2255 motion, the court dismisses the construed § 2255 motion without prejudice as successive. Based upon the court's finding that Petitioner has not made the requisite substantial showing of denial of a constitutional right as required by 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c), a certificate of appealability is denied. Pursuant to Standing Order 2015-5, the Federal Public Defender is appointed to advise Petitioner about pursuing certification from the Court of Appeals.

ENTER: This / 4 day of September, 2015.

Is/ Michael F. Urbanski

United States District Judge